



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Assignee: Dell Products L.P.  
Title: A Process, a System and Software Architecture for Evaluating Supplier Performance  
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Austin, Texas  
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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

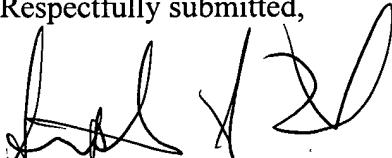
Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a one (1) month extension of time within which to respond to the October 7, 2004, outstanding Office Action, such extension allowing the undersigned until February 7, 2005, to respond. A check for the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the fee for the requested extension.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fee which may be necessary or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502264.

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